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MESSAGE: FOR THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF EXAMINER F. POINVIL

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Entitled: Dispensing System and Method with Radio Frequency Customer Identification

The following documents are attached:

1. Supplemental Amendment
2. Letter to the Examiner with three references included.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Joseph A. Giordano et al.

Serial No.: 09/224,027

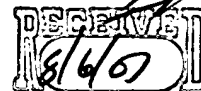
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For: DISPENSING SYSTEM AND
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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's telephone conference with the undersigned on July 25, 2001, Applicant submits the following request to reinstate erroneously canceled Claim 56 as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

19-56. (Amended) A fuel dispensing method with radio frequency customer identification capabilities for charging a customer for sales transacted by the customer, the method comprising:

determining whether a vehicle-mounted transponder containing customer identification data is within a vehicle fueling range of a dispenser, the dispenser requiring activation by the customer to initiate a transaction and including a reader associated therewith for emitting from a first antenna radio frequency signals within the vehicle fueling range, and for receiving customer identification data from the transponder responsive to the emitted radio frequency signals received by the transponder;